

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Amendment - After Non-Final Rejection filed on 06/01/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1- 5, 7-10, 12-16, 19, 20, and 23. Renumbered to 1-19.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
- ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

DETAILED ACTION

Specification

The title of the invention is not descriptive. A new title is required that is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.

The following is the new title: "Communication System apparatus and method for Detection of a TFI (Transport Format Indicator) even when a TFCI (Transport Format Combination Indicator) cannot be decoded correctly".

Claim Objections

The modifications to the claims were received on 06/01/2006. These modifications are accepted by the Examiner.

In view of the amendment filed on 06/01/2006, the Examiner withdraws claim objections to claims 1, 2, 5, 7, 8, 10, 12-16, 19, 20, and 23 of the previous Office action

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1- 5, 7-10, 12-16, 19, 20, and 23 are allowed.

The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: Claims 1- 5, 7-10, 12-16, 19, 20, and 23 are allowed because the references cited fail to teach, as applicant has, checking whether the frame-data length information (TFIs) of all frames within the transmission time interval (TTI) agree or not on a per-channel basis, and deciding, when even one TFI differs, that the largest number of items of frame-data length information (TFI) that are the same among the items of frame-data length information in a plurality of frames within a transmission time interval (TTI) is frame-data length information common to all of the plurality of frames within the

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transmission time interval; and comparing, on a per-channel basis, frame-data length information of a plurality of frames within respective ones of the transmission time intervals and, if frame-data length information differs, deciding, by using a likelihood, frame-data length information that is common to all of the plurality of frames within the transmission time interval, so, correcting erroneous frame-data length information, as the applicant has claimed.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Juan A. Torres whose telephone number is (571) 272-3119. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mohammad H. Ghayour can be reached on (571) 272-3021. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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